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PILOT STUDY REPORT

1. THE U.S. (BARNUM) OPENED THE DISCUSSION BY PRESENTING TO ITS ALLIES A REPORT ON THE NEW USDOT PUBLICATION "MOTOR VEHICLE GOALS BEYOND 1980". THE REPORT ATTEMPTS TO MEASURE AND BALANCE AGAINST EACH OTHER THE FOUR COMPETING GOALS OF AUTOMOBILE DESIGN: SAFETY, LOWER EMISSIONS, FUEL EFFICIENCY, AND LOW OPERATING COSTS. HARMONIZING THESE GOALS CAN BE A DIFFICULT TASK FOR THE AGENCIES INVOLVED IN PURSUING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FOUR GOALS.

2. THE US (THUR) THEN PRESENTED PLANS FOR THE FUTURE WORK OF THE APS/LPPSD PROGRAM, NOTING THAT MOST INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES ARE APPROACHING COMPLETE DEPENDENCE ON THE AUTOMOBILE AS A MEANS OF PERSONAL UNCLASSIFIED

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TRANSPORT. EVER-DECREASING WORLD PETROLEUM SUPPLIES, HOWEVER, HAVE MADE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION A MAJOR CONCERN OF ALL AUTOMOBILE-PRODUCING AND USING NATIONS.

3. CONSEQUENTLY, THE U.S. AS PILOT COUNTRY PROPOSED THAT FUTURE PILOT STUDY ACTIVITIES BE DIRECTED TOWARD PROJECTS THAT ARE CENTRALLY RELATED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY EFFICIENT, AS WELL AS LOW POLLUTING, PROPULSION SYSTEMS.

4. AT THE OCTOBER 1-7, 1976, WORKING GROUP MEETING OF THE PILOT STUDY IN PARIS, THE UNITED STATES PROPOSED THAT A QUESTIONNAIRE BE SUBMITTED TO THE SIGNATORY NATIONS OF THE APS/LPPSD MOU TO DETERMINE IF THERE IS SUFFICIENT INTEREST ON THE PART OF THE PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS TO CONTINUE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THIS AREA. IF THE RESULTS OF THIS QUESTIONNAIRE INDICATE THAT REDIRECTION IS POSSIBLE AND DESIRABLE, THE CURRENT MOU WILL BE MODIFIED TO INCLUDE INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY EFFICIENT MOTOR VEHICLES AND ALTERNATIVE FUELS. THE INTENT OF THESE PROGRAMS IS TO PROVIDE THE TECHNOLOGIES REQUIRED TO REDUCE FUEL CONSUMPTION AND TO ALLOW LESS DEPENDENCE ON PETROLEUM BASED FUELS FOR THE PERIOD OF 1985 TO 2000.

5. THE US CIRCULATED THE QUESTIONNAIRE, AS REVISED AND APPROVED BY PARTICIPANTS IN PARIS, TO THE PLENARY DELEGATIONS, NOTING THAT IT WOULD ALSO BE SENT TO CAPITALS. DELEGATES WERE URGED TO ENCOURAGE AN EARLY RESPONSE FROM THEIR AUTOMOTIVE EXPERTS, SO THAT THE US WILL HAVE TIME TO EVALUATE AND REPORT ON THE RESULTS AT THE DUSSELDORF PLENARY IN FEBRUARY, 1977.

6. THE US ALSO INVITED THE ALLIES TO ATTEND THE NEXT APS SYMPOSIUM, WHICH WILL BE HELD IN WASHINGTON, D.C., APRIL 17-22, 1977.

7. CANADA (BEAULIEU) ENDORSED THE APS PILOT STUDY, NOTING THAT IT TENTATIVELY SUPPORTED THE CHANGE IN UNCLASSIFIED

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EMPHASIS, BUT WOULD INDICATE ITS FINAL VIEWS ON THE MOST APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES AFTER CANADA HAD HAD A CHANCE TO STUDY THE QUESTIONNAIRE.

8. FYI: BECAUSE THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES IN THE ALLIED CAPITALS DID NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT TIME TO STUDY THE PROPOSALS SURFACED IN THE OCTOBER 7-8 PARIS MEETING, THERE WAS LITTLE DISCUSSION REGARDING THE SUGGESTED CHANGE OF EMPHASIS IN THE PILOT STUDY. STREATOR

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